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## BISHOP'S PROGRAMME, FEBRUARY - 2018

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| 2-9   |            | - | CBCI Meeting, Bangalore                          |
| 11    | 7.30 a.m.  | - | Pastoral Visit to Venur                          |
|       | 3.30 p.m.  | - | ICYM Diaference at Pakshikere                    |
| 12    | 4.30 p.m.  | - | Confirmation at Bejai                            |
| 14    |            | - | Ash Wednesday Fast & Abstinence                  |
| 15    | 6.00 p.m.  | - | Mass, St Antony's Relics, Milagres               |
| 16    | 5.30 p.m.  | - | Retreat inauguration for public Milagres grounds |
| 17    | 10.00 a.m. | - | Mass, Morning Star                               |
| 17-18 |            | - | Pastoral visit to Nidpally                       |
| 19    | 9.30 a.m.  | - | Senate Meeting                                   |
| 20-22 |            | - | Seminary Board Meeting, Bangalore                |
| 23    | 5.00 p.m.  | - | SJEC College Day                                 |
| 25    | 7.30 a.m.  | - | Pastoral Visit to Bellor                         |
|       | 3.00 p.m.  | - | Pastoral Visit to Bambil                         |

### Bishop available:

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| 13      | - | People            |
| 19 & 26 | - | Priests & Sisters |

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## **BISHOP'S MESSAGE FOR FEBRUARY 2018**

I hope the announcements are made in all the churches and chapels in our Diocese that the year 2018 has been declared as the year of the Rosary of Blessed Virgin Mary. In the context of the 450 years of Christian presence in Rosario parish by erecting a chapel the first one in this Diocese, dedicated to Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary by the Portuguese in a place called Bengare, the year 2018 is declared as the year of the Family Rosary. I wish that every family revives the devotion of daily family rosary. Many suggestions are given to you to popularize this devotion in this year.

We will be celebrating the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on 11 February. Being a Sunday, the Sunday liturgy is to be followed. However you may have the devotion to Our Lady of Lourdes by the candlelit procession and rosary as it is done in many parishes. This day was also observed as a day of the sick by St John Paul II. The reason being, on the feast day and other days of the year many sick people visit the Shrine at Lourdes and pray for good health. Let us have special prayers for the sick on 11 February. Let us also remember various institutions in our Diocese giving service to the sick and abandoned by the families and the society. We should thank them for such service they do to the people who are not kith and kin to them but brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ. Jesus has said as long you have done to the least of my brothers and sisters you have done it unto me (Mt.25:40).

The 14 February is the Ash Wednesday. It is a day of penance for the whole Church of Roman Rite to be marked by fasting and abstinence. The Lenten season is a time of preparation for the celebration of Easter. In early Church the baptism to the new converts was done on the Easter vigil. For this, there was a preparation for the catechumens at various stages of Christian initiation. This season prepares the faithful to recall their baptism and do penance to change their sinful life to a life of holiness. The adults from the age of 18 shall

observe the fast and abstinence. Whereas, the others when they reached the age of 14 observe the abstinence. During the Lenten season let us initiate the children in the family to give up certain entertainments in the spirit of penance. During the season many holy practices are done by the faithful and priests and religious as well. We conduct the way of the cross, voluntary fasting and prayer. The faithful also go on pilgrimages and spend a day in recollection and make their confession and participate in the mass. The priests who are in charge of the Shrines should welcome the pilgrims and make good preparation to accommodate them and have a meaningful celebration of mass. Many of our faithful attend daily mass in the mornings, give up entertainments, give up the usual habit of taking alcohol, not keeping any entertainment etc. in the season of Lent. All these practices help us to change our life to return to God our heavenly Father who waits for us to shower His mercy and love on us. Those who have birthdays in lent, may kindly postpone the festive celebration, for the people are scandalized at those celebrations, when actually the lay people do not celebrate during lent. The story of the prodigal son and the lost sheep is to be repeated in our life. It is not so much the reparation of our sins but efforts we make to return to the Father, never to go back into our own profane habits. The mercy and love of God cannot be measured by us or by our penance and any kind of reparation. This is the time for us to meditate and live on the immense love and mercy of God. During this season in some places there are public way of the cross devotion, such as in Pezar, Mudipu and some other parishes. The pastors are requested to exhort the people to attend these devotions in big numbers. Our whole effort is to keep our faithful in the holiness of life when the world and consumeristic society drags them downwards.

The pastors are requested not to leave the parishes during the season of Lent and advent. The faithful require the presence of priests in their parishes for various exercises

befitting the Lenten observance. We have a good custom to keep a day for confession in every parish and all the deanery priests cooperate with the parish priest to render service in the parishes. Let us continue it in a very meaningful way without rushing through the entire exercise. On the whole, let us respond to the call of God for a profound change in opening ourselves to the Kingdom of God and permitting it to determine the direction of our life. The other part of our response should be that we believe in the Gospel, and we take Jesus at His word – That what sounds too good to be true is really true. Let us acknowledge there is evil in the world and in us. We have sinned in what we have done and in what we have failed to do in; our thoughts, in our words and in our actions. Let us accept lent as a time of testing our attitudes, values, concerns and life goals – testing not with a view to pass/fail but to improve ourselves. Let us move on to direct our prayers and actions outward to the glory of God and the needs of our human community.

I request everyone to get into the spirit of Lent and to meditate on the love and mercy of God our Father. Let us pray for one another and let us gather ourselves at the end of the day for a family rosary which binds us together. Please continue to pray for me. May God bless you and keep you in His love.

**+ Aloysius Paul D'Souza**

*Bishop of Mangalore*

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## **Birthday**

Rev. John Vas 14.2.1968 (50)

*Ad Multos Annos*

**+ Bishop**

**2018 SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME FOR  
SEMINARIANS DIOCESE OF MANGALORE**

- 25 March – 1 April - Holy Week and Easter – all students assist the Parish Priest in their respective Parishes
- 26 March – 25 April - Gulbarga mission for I Philosophy (5)
- 3 April – 9 April Kannada Course – I & II Theology (5 + 2 = 7)
- 2 April – 9 April - Exposure Camp – II, III Philo & III Theo (4+5+5=14)
- 10 April–15 April Malayalam course – II & III Philo & II, III Theo (21)
- 17 April - Ordination**
- 26 & 27 April Annual **PICNIC** to Kasaragod Deanery. Halt at Vorkady

➤ The Brothers are expected to stay in their respective parishes. They need permission from the Parish Priest to go out of the parish for any ministry. Permission is needed from the Bishop to go out of the Diocese. The seminarians will gainfully spend the holidays by improving their skills in computers, key board and musical instruments.

➤ The exposure camp:

- 1) St Antony's Poor Homes, Jeppu
- 2) Father Muller Hospital
- 3) Olavina Halli, Kinya
- 4) Sneha Sadan, Gurpur

➤ Brothers will be informed their destination of ministry

➤ With proper adjustments 2 brothers will render service in the St Joseph Seminary in different intervals in consultation with the Rev. Administrator of the Seminary.

➤ Liaison person is Br Stany D'Souza – III Theology.

If there are changes, the time-table may be revised.

**– Rev. Denis Prabhu**  
*Vicar General*

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## YEAR OF THE ROSARY – 2018

The following suggestions and guidelines to make the Year of Rosary - 2018 a meaningful and spiritually profitable one.

- I. VISION:** May Mary Mother of the Most Holy Rosary bless India.
- II. MISSION:** All families take up the devotion to Rosary through family prayer, meditating on the mysteries of Jesus and offer it for the peace and unity of all Indians of different religions, caste and creed.
- III. AIMS:**
  - 1) The Republic of India should become more and more strong, meaningful and safeguard the Constitution of India where all have equal opportunities.
  - 2) The various Governments in states may promote the rights of God and humans and render justice to the people for which all of us should work.
  - 3) The unity and charity in families, parishes and in the Diocese among the people to be fostered and progressed.
  - 4) The married couples may safeguard the holiness of their vocation.
  - 5) The priests and the religious may live according to their calling and live an exemplary life to the flock entrusted to their care.
  - 6) All baptized may receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit and use them appropriately.
- IV. OUR EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE:**
  - 1) the religious leaders and pastors to promote the recitation of daily rosary.
  - 2) the pastors to inspire the families in the parish that to begin their day with a decade of rosary, recite it whenever time permits and to live a faithful life and love as Mary lived.
  - 3) in the entire diocese to popularize the rosary devotion.
  - 4) in every parish a day to be celebrated as a Rosary day.
  - 5) the pastors give a homily explaining the importance of every Marian feast during the year.
  - 6) small drama, hymns and quiz etc. to be promoted among the people

- 7) pilgrimages to Marian shrines
- 8) more attention to girl child and girls and women
- 9) before every mass our spiritual exercise in the church, a recitation of the 5 decades of rosary to be prayed
- 10) to display banners on Rosary prayer in important places of the parish.

**A. Personal efforts:**

- 1) keep the rosary in your purse, pocket, vehicle and wear it around the neck.
- 2) Start the day with one decade of rosary
- 3) give a rosary gift to your friends or on the prize distribution day in the parish.

**B. In the family:**

- 1) daily family rosary
- 2) to take the patrons (Mary's) image from family to family.
- 3) in the priests and religious communities and where lay people are gathered recite the rosary for vocations to the priesthood and religious life

**C. In the wards:**

- 1) the neighbouring 3-4 houses could come together and recite the rosary.
- 2) to recite rosary or decades before the ward meetings
- 3) to organize competitions on Marian hymns.

**D. Parish level:**

- 1) organise quiz or composition competition
- 2) small dramas, reading rosary
- 3) to recite the 20 decades rosary
- 4) to establish the rosary confraternity
- 5) in emergent situation to recite at least one decade of rosary
- 6) to recite rosary during the procession or to organise competition of Marian hymns.
- 7) to start legion or Marian sodality where it doesn't exist
- 8) to recite rosary during religious processions
- 9) to give a homily on the titles of Mary in the litany of Mary.
- 10) to give gifts of rosary on the occasions
- 11) to start with a decade of rosary before any spiritual exercise.
- 12) to recite rosary in the family and also when the dead body is carried to the cemetery

**E. Deanery level:**

- 1) organise quiz on Marian hymns
- 2) quiz and composition
- 3) to study on Papal teachings on Mary
- 4) to organize a Marian gathering once a month
- 5) a training on Marian cult

**F. Diocesan Level:**

- 1) to organize on TV channel of Divine Word the Angelus and Rosary in the morning and evening
- 2) to translate the Apostolic letter on Rosary by St John Paul II in Konkani.
- 3) publications on Mary and Rosary
- 4) to organise get together of Religions
- 5) Rosary exhibition
- 6) competition of Marian hymns
- 7) in October homilies on Mary and Rosary
- 8) publication of articles in the parish bulletins and other print media
- 9) a workshop on Mary for peace ongoing programme
- 10) art and literature to organize an exhibition and seminar
- 11) to keep up the Marian month May and October
- 12) to organize a diocesan gathering as a conclusion of the Rosary Year

– **V. Rev. Fr J.B. Crasta**

*Rector, Rosario Cathedral,*

*Bolar*

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## **Senate Meeting**

To the members of the Council of Priests:

The next meeting of the Council of Priests (Senate) will be held on Monday, 19.02.2018 at 9.30 am at the Bishop's House. Kindly attend the meeting without fail.

– **Rev J. B. Saldanha**

*Secretary*



### ತೆರ್ಸಾಚೆಂ ವರಸ್ 2018

**ಸಂದೇಶ್:** ರೊಜಾರಿ ಮಾಯೆ, ಕುಟ್ಮಾಚೆ ರಾಣಿಯೆ, ಭಾರತಾಚೆರ್ ಬೆಸಾಂವ್ ಫಾಲ್.

**ಧ್ಯೇಯ್:** ಸರ್ವ್ ಕುಟ್ಮಾಂನಿ ಕೊಂತಾಚ್ಯಾ ಭಕ್ತಿಪಣಾ ಮುಕಾಂತ್ ಕ್ರಿಸ್ತಾಚೆ ಮಿಸೆರ್ ನಿಯಾಳುನ್ ಆಮ್ಚ್ಯಾ ದೆಶಾಚ್ಯಾ ಎಕ್ವಟಾ ಖಾತಿರ್ ಮಾಗುಂಕ್ ಸಾಧನ್.

#### ತೆರ್ಸಾಚ್ಯಾ ವರಾಚಿ ಉದ್ದೇಶ್:

1. ಭಾರತಾಂತ್ಲೆಂ ಪ್ರಜಾಪ್ರಭುತ್ವ್ ಬಳ್ಳಂತ್ ಆನಿ ಅರ್ಥಾಭರಿತ್ ಜಾವ್ನ್ ಆಮ್ಚ್ಯಾ ಸಂವಿಧಾನಾಚಿ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾ ಸುದೃಢ್ ಜಾಯ್.
2. ಲೊಕಾಂಚೆ ಸರ್ವ್ಕೆ ಲಾಗ್ಣೊ, ದೆವಾ ಆನಿ ಮನ್ಶಾ ಹಕ್ಕಾಂಕ್ ಸಾಂಬಾಳ್ಚೊ ಆನಿ ಸಮಾಸಮ್ ನ್ಯಾಯ್ ನೀತ್ ಕರ್ಚೊ ಸರ್ಕಾರ್ ವಿಂಚುನ್ ಯೆಜೆ.
3. ಆಮ್ಚ್ಯಾ ಕುಟ್ಮಾಂನಿ, ಫಿರ್ಗಜಾಂನಿ ಆನಿ ಅಖ್ಯೆ ದಿಯೆಸೆಜಿಂತ್ ಎಕ್ವಟಾಚಿ ಬಾಂದಾವಳ್ ಘೆತ್ ಜಾಯ್.
4. ಕಾಜಾರಿ ಜೊಡ್ಯಾಂನಿ ಆಮ್ಲೆ ಲಗ್ನಾ ಭೆಸ್ ಮೊಗಾನ್ ಜಿಯೆಜೆ
5. ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕಾಂನಿ ಆನಿ ಯಾಜಕಾಂನಿ ಆಪ್ಲ್ಯಾ ಭೆಸಾಚೆ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ ಜೊಕ್ತೆಪಣಿಂ ಜಿಯೆಂವ್ಕ್ ಕುರ್ಪಾ ಜೊಡಿಜೆ.
6. ಲೊಕಾನ್ ಪವಿತ್ರ್ ಆತ್ಮಾಚಿಂ ಆನಿ ಸಂಸಾರಿ ದೆಣಿಂ ಫಾವೊ ತ್ಯೆ ರಿತಿನ್ ವಾಪರಿಜೆ.

#### ಆಮ್ಚೊ ವಾವ್:

1. ಹರೆಕ್ ಕರ್ಣಾಲಿಕಾನ್ ಖಾಸ್ಣೆನ್ ಆನಿ ಪರ್ಗಟ್ ಕೊಂತಾಚೆಂ ಭಕ್ತಿಪಣ್ ಆಧಾರುಂಕ್ ಪ್ರೇರಣ್ ದಿಂವ್ಚೆಂ.
2. ಸರ್ವ್ ಕುಟ್ಮಾಂನಿ, ಕುಟ್ಮಾಚ್ಯಾ ಸರ್ವ್ ಸಾಂದ್ಯಾಂ ಸಾಂಗಾತಾ ಕುಟ್ಮಾಚೊ ತೆರ್ಸಾ ಚುಕನಾಸ್ತಾನಾ ಭಾವಾಡ್ತಾನ್ ಆನಿ ಮೊಗಾನ್ ಕರುಂಕ್ ಉತ್ತೇಜನ್ ದಿಂವ್ಚೆಂ.
3. ದಿಯೆಸೆಜಿಂತ್, ವಾರಾಡ್ಯಾಂತ್, ಫಿರ್ಗಜೆಂತ್ ವಿವಿಧ್ ರುಪಾನ್ ಕೊಂತಾಚೆಂ ಭಕ್ತಿಪಣ್ ಲೊಕಾಮೊಗಾಳ್ ಕರ್ಚೆಂ.
4. ಹರೆಕ್ ಫಿರ್ಗಜೆಂತ್ 12 ದೀಸ್ ಕೊಂತಾಚೊ ವಾ ಮರೈಚ್ಯಾ ಭಕ್ತಿಪಣಾಚೊ ಆಯ್ತಾರ್ ಸಂಭ್ರಮ್ಚೊ
5. ಮರಿಯೆಚಿಂ ಸರ್ವ್ ಫೆಸ್ತಾಂ ವ್ಹಡ್ ಉರ್ಬೆನ್ ಚಲೊಂವ್ಚಿಂ.
6. ಮರಿಯೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಂ ಕ್ವಿಜ್, ಅಭಿನಯ್, ನಾಟಕ್, ಪದಾಂ ಘಡುಂಕ್ ಉಮೆದ್ ದಿಂವ್ಚಿಂ
7. ಮರಿಯೆಚ್ಯಾ ಪೂನ್ಶೆತಾಂಕ್ ಭೆಟ್
8. ಮರಿಯೆಚ್ಯಾ ನಾಂವಾನ್ ವಿವಿಧ್ ಬರಿಂ ಕಾಮಾಂ, ದಾಖ್ಲ್ಯಾಕ್ ಚೆಡ್ವಾಂ ಭುರ್ಗ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ಗುಮಾನ್
9. ಹರೆಕಾ ಮಿಸಾ ಪಯ್ಲೆಂ ಏಕ್ ಪುಣಿ ತೆರ್ಸಾ ಕರ್ಚೊ.
10. ತೆರ್ಸಾಚ್ಯಾ ಮಾಗ್ಣ್ಯಾ ವಿಶಿಂ ವಿವಿಧ್ ಭಾಸಾಂನಿ ಬ್ಯಾನರಾಂ ಕರುನ್ ಪ್ರಮುಕ್ ಜಾಗ್ಯಾಂನಿ ಪ್ರದರ್ಶಿತ್ ಕರ್ಚಿಂ.

**ಕರ್ತೃತಾತ್ ತ್ಯೂ ಕರೊಪ್ಪ  
(Objectives)**

**a) ವೈಯಕ್ತಿಕ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಯೋಜನೆ:**

1. ಕೊಂತ್ ಮ್ಹಜ್ಯೆ ಜಿಣ್ಯಂತ್, ಮ್ಹಜ್ಯೆ ಗೊಮ್ಪರ್, ಮ್ಹಜ್ಯೆ ಪೊಕೆಟಂತ್ ಆನಿ ಮ್ಹಜ್ಯಾ ವಾಹನಾಂತ್.
2. ಸಕಾಳಿಂಚೆಂ ಏಕ್ ಖಣ್ ತೇರ್ಸ್ ಮ್ಹಣ್ಪೊ.
3. ಕೊಂತಾಚಿ ಕಾಣಿಕ್ (ಕುಮ್ಗಾರ್, ಕ್ರಿಜ್, ದೊತೊರ್ನಿಚೊ ದೀಸ್, ಕಾಜಾರ್, ಇತರ್) ಕೊಂತ್ ಕಾಣಿಕ್ ದಿಂವ್ಕ್ ಪ್ರೇರಣ್.

**b) ಕುಟ್ಮಾಂತ್:**

1. ಸಾಂಗಾತಾ ಸಾಂಜೆರ್ ತೇರ್ಸ್.
2. ಮರಿಯೆಕ್ ಭೆಟಯಿಲ್ಲ್ಯಾ ಫಿರ್ಗಜಾಂನಿ, ತಾಂಚ್ಯೆ ಶಾರೊತಿಣಿಚಿ ಇಮಾಜ್ ಘರಾನ್ ಘರ್ ಹಾಡ್ಪಿ.
3. ಯಾಜಕಾಂ, ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕಾಂ, ಲಾಯಿಕಾಂನಿ ದೇವ್ ಆಪೊವ್ಣಾಂ ಖಾತಿರ್ ಮಾಗ್ಣೆಂ

**c) ವಾಡ್ಯಾಂತ್:**

1. ವಾಡ್ಯಾಂತ್ ವಾ ಚಾರ್ ಪಾಂಚ್ ಲಾಗ್ತಲ್ಯಾ ಘರಾಂನಿ ಸಾಂಗಾತಾ ಯೆವ್ನ್ ತೇರ್ಸ್ ಮ್ಹಣ್ಪೊ.
2. ವಾಡ್ಯಾಂತ್ ಮಹಿನ್ಯಾಂತ್ ಏಕ್ ದೀಸ್ ತೇರ್ಸ್ (ವಾಡ್ಯಾ ಜಮಾತೆ ಪಯ್ಲೆಂ ತೇರ್ಸ್)
3. ಮರಿಯಾಳ್ ಗಿತಾಂ ಸ್ಪರ್ಧೊ

**d) ಫಿರ್ಗಜಿ ಹಂತಾರ್:**

1. ಭುರ್ಗ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ಕ್ರಿಜ್, ಪ್ರಬಂಧ್ ಸ್ಪರ್ಧೊ
2. ತೆರ್ಸಾ ವಿಶಿಂ ಲ್ಹಾನ್ ಪ್ರದರ್ಶನ್-ನಾಟ್ಯೊ
3. 12 ವರಾಂಚೊ ತೇರ್ಸ್ ನಿರಂತರಿ
4. ತೆರ್ಸಾಚಿ ಕೊಂಪ್ರ್
5. ಪುರ್ತೊ ನ್ಹಯ್ ತರಯಿ ಏಕ್ ಖಣ್ ಪುಣಿ ತೇರ್ಸ್
5. ಖಿಯ್ಚ್ಯಾಯ್ ಕಥೊಲಿಕ್ ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ್ ಪುರ್ಶಾವಾಂನಿ ವೆತಾನಾಂ ತೇರ್ಸ್
6. ಮರಿಯಾಳ್ ಗಿತಾಂ ಸ್ಪರ್ಧೊ
7. ಮರಿಯೆಚಿಂ ಲೀಜನ್/ಮರಿಯಾಳ್ ಸೊಡೆಲಿಟಿ ನಾತ್ಲ್ಯಾ ಫಿರ್ಗಜಾಂನಿ ಸುರ್ವಾತ್ ಕರ್ಚೊ.
8. ಖಿಯ್ಚ್ಯಾಯ್ ಕಥೊಲಿಕ್ ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ್ ಪುರ್ಶಾವಾಂನಿ ವೆತಾನಾಂ ತೇರ್ಸ್
9. ಮರಿಯೆಚ್ಯೆ ಲದಿನೆಂತ್ಲ್ಯಾ ವಿವಿಧ್ ಉಲ್ಟಾಂ ವಿಶಿಂ, ಸಾಲ್ವೆ ವೆಳಾರ್ ನಿಯಾಳ್.
10. ಕೊಂತಾಚಿ ಕಾಣಿಕ್ - ವಿವಿಧ್ ಸಂದರ್ಭಾಂನಿ ಕೊಂತ್ ಕಾಣಿಕ್ ದಿಂವ್ಕ್ ಪ್ರೇರಣ್
11. ಏಕ್ ಖಣ್ ತೇರ್ಸ್ ಮ್ಹಣುನ್ ಸುರ್ವಾತ್. ಮರಿಯೆ ವಿಶಿಂ ಶಿಕೊವ್ಣ್ ಆಸಾ ಕರ್ಚಿ.
12. ಮರ್ಣಾಚ್ಯಾ ಘರಾಂತ್ ತೇರ್ಸ್, ಮರ್ಣ್ ಸಿಮೆಸ್ತಿಕ್ ವ್ಹರ್ತಾನಾ ತೇರ್ಸ್.

**e) ವಾರಾಡ್ಯಾ ಹಂತಾರ್:**

1. ಮರಿಯಾಳ್ ಗಿತಾಂ ಸ್ವಧೂರ್; 2. ಭುಗ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ಕ್ವಿಜ್, ಪ್ರಬಂಧ್ ಸ್ವಧೂರ್; 3. ಮರಿಯೆ ವಿಶಿಂ ಪಾಪಾಂಚ್ಯೆ ಶಿಕೊವ್ಣೆಚೊ ಅಭ್ಯಾಸ್.
4. ಮರಿಯಾಳ್ ಸಮ್ಮೇಳ್; 5. ಮಹಿನ್ಯಾಂತ್ ಏಕ್ ದೀಸ್ ಎಕಾ ವಾರಾಡ್ಯಾಂತ್ ಅಶೆಂ-ಮರಿಯಾಳ್ ದೀಸ್-ತರ್ಬೆತಿ ಆನಿ ಸ್ವಧೂರ್

**f) ದಿಯೆಸೆಜಿ ಹಂತಾರ್:**

1. ಡಿವೈನ್ ಟಿವಿಚೆರ್ ಸಕಾಳಿಂ ಆನಿ ಸಾಂಜೆರ್ ಆಮೊರಿ ಆನಿ ತೇರ್ಸ್
2. ಪಾಪಾ ಜುವಾಂಪ್ ಪಾವ್ಲ್ ದುಸ್ರ್ಯಾನ್ ದಿಲ್ಲ್ಯಾ Rosarium Vergine Marie ಆಪೊಸ್ತಲಿಕ್ ಪತ್ರಾಚೆಂ ಭಾಶಾಂತರ್
3. ಮರೈ ವಿಶಿಂ ಆನಿ ತೆರ್ನಾ ವಿಶಿಂ ಪುಸ್ತಕಾಂ ಪರ್ಗಟ್ಣಿ
4. ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕಾಂಚೊ ಸಮ್ಮೇಳ್
5. ಕೊಂತಾಂಚೆಂ ಪ್ರದರ್ಶನ್
6. ಮರಾಳ್ ಗಿತಾಂಚೊ ಸ್ವಧೂರ್
7. ತೆರ್ಸಾಚ್ಯಾ ಮಹಿನ್ಯಾಂತ್ ಆಯ್ತಾರಾಚೆ ಶೆರ್ಮಾಂವ್
8. ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ್ ಪತ್ರಾಂಚೆರ್ ಮರೈ ವಿಶಿಂ ಲೇಖನಾಂ
9. ಯಾಜಕಾಂಚ್ಯೆ ನಿರಂತರ್ ತರ್ಬೆತಿಂತ್ ಮರೈ ವಿಶಿಂ ಕಾಮಾಸಾಳ್
10. ಕಲಾ ಆನಿ ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ್ ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯಾಂತ್ ಮರಿಮಾಯ್: ಪ್ರದರ್ಶನ್ ಆನಿ ಸಮ್ಮೇಳ್
11. ತೆರ್ಸಾಚೊ ಮಹಿನೊ ಪಾಳ್ಣೊ
12. ಮರಿಯಾಳ್ ಮಹಾಮೇಳ್.

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## REQUEST

Dear Rev. Fathers,

We are happy to note that wardwise political survey (specially Graduates' & Teachers' Constituency) of the parish, conducted in the month of November-December 2017, is completed. We request you to send all the filled up survey forms to Rosario Cathedral office by February 15, 2018. A duplicate of the same could be retained at the parish office file. We thank you for your initiative and the hard work of the gurdars and ward representatives of the parish.

Yours Sincerely,

**V. Rev. Fr J. B. Crasta**

*Secretary*

*Citizen Awareness and Development Committee*

## MANGALA JYOTHI

### I. PROGRAMMES:

- 4, Feb 18 : Youth Catechesis, Panir  
Adult Catechesis, Padukone
- 6-10, Feb 18 : ICA Meeting and Seminar, Hyderabad
- 12, Feb 18 : Value Education Class, Bajal School
- 13, Feb 18 : Preparatory Meeting - Catechetical Commission,  
MJ
- 25, Feb 18 : Catechism Day Programme, Rosario Cathedral

### II. NEW ARRIVALS:

1. ಸೊಮ್ಮಾ ಸಾಂಗಾತಾ ರಾಂವ್ಚ್ಯಾಕ್
2. ಜೆಜು ಸಂಗಿಂ ಖುರ್ಸಾವಾಟ್ (ಧಾ ಖುರ್ಸಾ ವಾಟೊ)
3. ಜೆವಿತಾಚಿ ಖುರ್ಸಾವಾಟ್
4. Bible Quotations (Konkani, English, Kannada)
5. ಸಾಂತಾಂಚೆ ಜಿಣಿಯೆ ಧಾವ್ನ್ (ನವೀಕೃತ್ ಆವೃತಿ)
6. Memorare Card (Konkani & English)
7. ಆಂಕ್ವಾರ್ ಮರಿಯೆಚಿ ರೊಜಾರ್ (ತೆರ್ನಾ ವಿಶ್ಯಾಂತ್ ಶಿಕೊವ್ಣ್)

### III. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The theme for the Catechetical Academic Year 2018-19 is "Our Lady of Rosary is the Mother of Family Catechesis" ("ರೊಜಾರ್ ಸಾಯ್ವಣ್ ಕುಟ್ಮಾಚ್ಯಾ ಭಾವಾರ್ಥಿ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣಾಚಿ ಆವಯ್").
2. All parishes will hold the Catechism Day either on February 18th or 25th. The Diocesan level Catechism Day will be held on March 04, at Mangala Jyothi. You are cordially invited for the Diocesan level Catechism Day.
3. Host, Particles, Insignia, Incense, Rosaries etc. are available at our stall.
4. All the Catechism Co ordinators are requested to prepare the annual report and send to deanery priest co-ordinators by 30th March, 2018. A copy of which will be sent to Mangala Jyothi.

**V. LITURGICAL GUIDELINES - PART II : (Extract from CCBI Directives)** (continued from previous issue)

<b>DO'S</b>	<b>DON'T'S</b>
<p>39 Several chalices may be used at a concelebration with many priests. ... It is praise worthy, by reason of the sign value, to use a main chalice of larger dimensions, together with smaller chalices <i>(Redemptionis Sacramentum 105)</i></p>	<p>The pouring of the Blood of Christ after the consecration from one vessel to another is completely to be avoided, lest anything should happen that would be to the detriment of so great a mystery. <i>(Redemptionis Sacramentum 105)</i></p>
<p>40 <b>At the Eucharistic Prayer Concelebrants should be in the sanctuary or in the assigned place.</b>  <b>Concelebrants</b> join the Presiding Celebrant at the Altar after the prayer over the Offerings</p>	<p>Concelebrants should not block the faithful from the view of the sacred action at the altar.  They should not concelebrate if they take part in the choir or are photographers. Two things cannot be done at the same time.</p>
<p>41 Concelebrants join at relevant parts in Eucharistic Prayer, but in a low voices in such a way that the Principal Celebrant's voice is heard clearly. <i>(GIRM 218)</i></p>	<p>The priest does not break the Host at the consecration;  Mass is a celebration not a dramatization. The fraction is in view of communion.</p>
<p>42 "The Mystery of Faith" is said by the Main Celebrant <i>(GIRM 151)</i></p>	<p>At the elevation of Host and Chalice the people do not make any acclamation (e.g., My Lord and My God, etc...)  For the Acclamation by the faithful do not use verses that are not one of the three acclamations found in the Missal. (e.g., He is Lord...)</p>
<i>(to be continued...)</i>	
<b>Director, Mangala Jyothi</b>	

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## MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD IN OUR COMMUNITY

### Background

The figure of the child has always had an irresistible and undeniable influence on everyone's heart: his/her simplicity, beauty and sparkling vitality seems a reflection of God's life. Also Jesus Christ, who with His birth in the stable at Bethlehem and his infancy in Egypt and Nazareth knew that state of loving bliss, was particularly fond of children: Let the children come to me and do not hinder them: for to such belongs the kingdom of God (Lk 18:16).

### Introduction

**Year 2018 is the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Pontifical Society of the Missionary Childhood.** We are happy to share the wonderful reality of the Pontifical Society of the Missionary childhood or Holy Childhood, in order to know and take advantage of it more in our own communities. Through Bishops, missionaries, animators and children, God is helping children to achieve evangelizing wonders in their families, with other children and for the sake of universal evangelization. We also observe with immense gratitude that this Society is a special path for children's Christian and Missionary maturation. Each parish, each Diocese and the universe church can feel that this Society of Missionary childhood is its own.

The focal point of this Society is the particular role that 'children have in the proclamation of the Kingdom. In fact they are particularly suited to accepting it and living the riches of its beauty, joy and love. Then in the Christian language 'smallness' is a fascinating spiritual category that reflects God's holiness. Devotion to the Child Jesus is perceived as man's obedience; abandonment to the father's will and it is classified in states of life as spiritual childhood.

### **A brief history of the holy childhood association**

#### **i. Origin**

The great missionary movement, which was born in France in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century, could not but involve the essential needs of the most fragile and weakest part of humanity: CHILDREN. Letters

from Missionaries, especially from Sisters, spoke of children suppressed at birth because they were not wanted on account of their sex (girls), their physical or psychic defects or simply because it was impossible to feed them in the great general poverty. The generous and urgent help of everyone was needed to save these creatures destined for death.

This help comes from a great bishop, **Charles August Marie de ForbinJanson** born on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1785. Entering the seminary of St. Sulpice at an early age his desire and hope was for a missionary life. But this is not to be because Providence decrees that he becomes a seminary rector and Vicar General in Chambery. He realized his missionary dream by becoming a preacher for priests and offering the people 'missions'. Travels and knowledge of peoples normally associated with missionaries also became his direct experience when in 1817 he made a journey to preach in the Middle East, visiting Egypt, Palestine, Syria and Turkey.

Consecrated Bishop of Nancy in 1824, with his missionary zeal Bp. Charles had devotion to the Child Jesus which he never ceased to spread. Mindful of the atrocities that were being perpetrated against children particularly in the gentile world of the age, Bishop Charles gave a mission approach to this devotion. In fact the name itself "Missionary Childhood" expresses his desire to place the Association under the protection of the Child Jesus. He founded the Holy Childhood association on 19<sup>th</sup> May 1843. He was deeply affected by the distress of Chinese children abandoned in the streets. He was convinced that though weak and needing care, children rich in faith and love are capable of playing their own part in the Church's mission- even of stirring adults to show the same generous spirit.

Hence his intuition was to create a movement of Christian children to find the Lord and to save them from death. Its purpose was to save them above all through baptism and to educate them in a Christian manner: all this was to be a fruit of an apostolic and solidarity charity namely of a genuinely missionary spirit and not only a social action.

The children responded and with their prayers and sacrifices began to contest of universal brotherhood which continues helping

children of every continent down to our own day. These groups gradually took roots in many places and countries which later on developed as missionary units.

The Association's OBJECTIVES were immediately clear to the Founder and his collaborators.

- ✓ To save a multitude of little children from death...to open Heaven, above all through Baptism, to the largest possible number of these children.
- ✓ To prepare the regeneration of nations by giving children a Christian education.
- ✓ To make these children instruments of salvation as teachers, catechists, doctors, priests and missionaries.

The Bishop's sensitivity gave rise to a new style of mission centered on the grace of Baptism, recognizing the children's right to receive it and their duty to give it.

From the beginning, the Holy Childhood Association was a journey of faith, bringing mission to the heart of children and enabling them to discover the joy of serving their brothers and sisters. The children's missionary spirit was not a one way street. The prayers, sacrifices and love of European children were answered by the prayers, sacrifices, love and sometimes, even martyrdom of children in China. Thanks to the Holy childhood Association, children very soon became active subjects of evangelization.

The slogan "*children helping children*" caused a Copernican revolution in the apostolate. For the first time children, humble, simple, but also creative and courageous, became protagonists in the pastoral work of the Church.

With considerable self- assurance they succeeded in joining the current of universal solidarity and wrote pages of love that only the Holy Spirit could inspire.

The association grew in the foot-steps of the Saints. In France the charitable chrism of St. Vincent de Paul was very much alive and well organized, and the Holy Childhood Association closely resembled it, though with one substantial difference: the responsibility of bringing less fortunate children to salvation was entrusted to children rather than to adults.



At its founding, Bishop Fayet of Orleans wrote to Bishop De Forbin-Janson: 'There is something in the idea of ransoming Chinese babies that St. Vincent de Paul would have envied. The Church has nothing so tenderly charitable as this'.

The work found favour with individuals and institutions with greater involvement in children's education. Thus it developed rapidly in Europe and North America and its establishment it enjoyed the full support of the Church and the favour of Pope Leo XIII who promoted it with the Encyclical *Sancta Dei Civitas* (3<sup>rd</sup> December 1880). On 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1922 Pius XII conferred upon it the title 'Pontifical'.

## **ii. Growth and progress:**

The first half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century could be called a missionary springtime for the Church in Europe. Thousands of messengers of the Gospel left the Old Continent for faraway lands. French missionaries distinguished themselves by their number and their courage, drawing fresh spiritual enthusiasm from the Charism of the newly established 'Ad Gentes' congregations. At home, the faithful accompanied the missionaries with their constant prayer and financial support, working actively with the Society for the propagation of the Faith, a wonderful way of feeling fully involved in the Church's work of evangelization.

Until then, children had been as recipients of mission and of evangelization. Suddenly they became convinced and resolute protagonists. Bishops and priests were astonished to see children become involved in a mission which placed them at the heart of the Church and the world.

In the Holy Childhood's Foundation, one could see the missionary potential, in which they saw a special working of the Holy Spirit. The Founder himself, as if in a prophesy, spoke of Chinese children as so many new Moseses who having themselves been saved by the prayers and generosity of European children, would in turn save their own brothers and sisters by becoming catechists, teachers, missionaries, fathers and mothers of Christian families. Time has proved him right: from among those children, in fact, came the first Chinese Cardinal and the first Chinese child to be declared a saint.

The missionary involvement of children was certainly a running point in the history of the Church. From salvation History we know that children were never given a role of pastoral responsibility. In the mentality of the Hebrew people children belonged to the category of those “without dignity”, and in rabbinical literature children were considered on a par with the mentally deficient and deaf-mutes.

As these small groups grew in works of charity, they began to draw attention of the whole of Europe. Many parishes throughout Europe formed units of these groups among children. This developed in them a sense of love for the poor and the needy children. They began to sacrifice their extra expenses on entertainment, outing, snacks etc., thus saving money for this great purpose. Gradually these associations of children helping children gained support from parents and elders far & wide with a mission orientation.

Before he died at the age of 59, Bishop Charles entrusted this task to Rev. Fr. Ponami who worked strenuously for 6 years to start units of Holy Childhood Society in France and other countries. Rev. Fr. James who succeeded him put in all his efforts for 12 years. Several great personalities used all their talents & strength in order to spread the society throughout the world.

Today there are millions of “little missionaries” distributed throughout parishes, schools and movements of the five continents. Concretely, the Pontifical Society of Missionary childhood proposes to:

- a. Help educators to progressively awaken in children a universal missionary conscience.
- b. Help children to develop their missionary protagonism.
- c. Move children to share their faith and material means, especially with the children of the neediest regions and churches.
- d. Promote missionary vocations.
- e. To be integrated into the overall pastoral program of Christian education, to which it will contribute its missionary projection.

In order to achieve its objectives, Missionary childhood lends two services to children: the first and principal one is missionary education; the second is missionary co-operation with the neediest children and the missions of the whole world.

Therefore, the Pontifical Society of Missionary Childhood or Holy Childhood, which is a Society of the universal church and of the local churches, is animating and forming children (up to 14 years of age) from a missionary viewpoint and their educators so that they will live in ecclesial missionary communion and carry out their local mission and their missionary co-operation with universal evangelization, especially of children.

### **Projects Receiving Help**

The Holy Childhood Association aims to help the greatest number of children possible. It channels aid to institutions and organizations in the developing world concerned with children below the age of 14. Nurseries and day-care centres, children's Homes, orphanages, primary schools, dispensaries, maternity hospitals, and handicapped centres are among the many beneficiaries of the Society for Missionary/Holy Childhood assistance.

### **Benefits of belonging to the Missionary Childhood Association (MCA)**

The Missionary Childhood Association membership brings children to God, makes gentle demands of them, counters selfishness and teaches them to pray in an informal and personal way.

- Their families benefit if they are willing to support and share the faith experience of the children and read the Newsletter with them.
- Teachers/Animators benefit spiritually as they endeavour to stimulate the faith and devotion of the children.
- Parishes benefit when the priest and people of the parish support the children in various MCA activities for Advent, Christmas, Lent and the Annual Missionary Childhood Association Day (Second Sunday of February).
- Children in need benefit from the prayers and funds of the MCA.

- The whole Church benefits from the prayers and sacrifices of children. By participating in the MCA, children learn to give voluntarily and this, in turn, prepares them for volunteer action when they are older.

### **Missionary Childhood Association In Schools/Parishes**

The MCA can be incorporated into the regular Religious Education program, especially when the lessons speak about the mission of Jesus and His disciples. The MCA can be formed as a children's club in the school, or an activity for an already-existing children's group. The MCA and its work of prayer, learning about others and sharing what we have, could be coupled with activities required to prepare for First Eucharist or Confirmation.

### **Theme: 'Our children are peace-makers'**

#### **Preparation:**

- Prepare the children before celebrating the actual day with a week-long activity. Arrange for prayer days, novenas, missionary rosaries (refer the last part of this note) and competitions.
- Give sufficient publicity to the theme of the Missionary Childhood Day (MCA) Celebration 2017 – **"Children are ambassadors of peace"**.
- Explain to the children about the situation of the children worldwide and of the children in socio-economically poor countries. Have "Floats" depicting these "Success Stories" and take it across the cities to create awareness on the Missionary Childhood Day. Combine the MCA Campaign with Christmas... thus extending it right through until MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD DAY. Have a "Raffles Draw" and begin selling tickets around the time of Advent and Missionary childhood Day. Have a GRAND Holy Eucharist – Procession with Children's Band across the streets etc. (Liturgy Procession); with HCA children wearing badges and marching by... on the BIG DAY! Make it a WHOLE DAY celebration... with maximum participation... a time of gala and fun and at the same time very much MISSION

- Plan to visit needy persons in the parish – Hospitals, home for the aged, children’s homes rural exposure to children from the city etc.
- Prepare children for the Eucharistic celebration with appropriate readings and hymns (involvement of the children is very important).
- Prepare well for the procession in the beginning of the Eucharist.
- Animators should remind children to come with the gifts or dumb-boxes which they will offer on the Missionary Childhood Day. Make the children offer their gifts or savings of the year at the offertory in a procession.
- Let the children formulate the prayers of the faithful in their own language.
- You may conduct competitions for singing on “hymns on mission”; Elocution on “I am called to be a saint” and Quiz competition on Religious Congregation(s) in my parish, their founder, charism, history etc.
- Distribute ‘dumb boxes’ to children to sacrifice part of their pocket money for missions throughout the next year.

## **LITURGY**

### **Introduction to the Holy Mass**

In the Holy Father’s Christmas reflection on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> of December 2015, he invited the faithful gathered in the St. Peter’s Square for the last General Audience of 2015 to “look to the lives of children” in order to learn to welcome and love Jesus. God too ‘was a child’ he said. If we want to welcome and love Jesus we need to look at the lives of children. Children are precious little gift from God to know God. The innocence, tender love and the beauty of a child are a mirror that shows God to the world.

No barrier can be put in between Jesus and children. Any blockade is sin. We recall the words of Jesus ‘Let the children come to me and do not hinder them.’ (Matt 19.13-15). Children had a special place in the heart of Jesus. In his exhortations he made a number of references to the children (“Unless you become like children you will not enter the Kingdom of God”). Children

are LITTLE MISSIONARIES of the Good News. Let us start to understand and appreciate this fact.

Missionary Childhood Day celebrations remind us the need to bring children closer to Jesus. It is a day to enabling the children to deepen their faith in Jesus and His love for the world. About causing scandals to little children Jesus said 'It would be better for him if a millstone were hung round his neck and he were cast into the sea, than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin (Lk.17.1-2). Today we thank God for all the children of the world for without them the world would be less beautiful. We thank God for our own children who are the best gift for us in our families. Also, we pray for all the children of the world and remind ourselves about our responsibility of making them better human beings and bring closer to Jesus. We have a responsibility to make children MISSIONARIES. Hence, every child should be made member of the Missionary Childhood Association for forming them in faith.

**Penitential Rite**

Lord Jesus, you had a special love for the last and the least in your circle of disciples. You loved those who are most neglected. Even though I know that millions of children are suffering due to lack of food, shelter and clothing in the world I have not shown any concern for them. Lord, have Mercy.

**Lord, have Mercy.**

Lord Jesus, in your lifetime, you gave us the best example to love the little ones and you said 'if any one receives a child in my name receives me.' Time and again I have failed to love - hated instead, misbehaved and harshly treated children. For this insensitivity Christ, have Mercy.

**Christ, have Mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you came to gather all the nations into the peace of God's Kingdom. For all the moments that we failed to educate and impart the precious gift of faith to our children by our words and examples, Lord, have Mercy.

**Lord, have Mercy.**

Almighty God of love may have mercy on us, forgive us all our negligence and sinful tendencies and lead us to life everlasting life. Amen

**Opening Prayer**

Almighty and eternal God, by our baptism we are called to be missionaries of your love in the world. We are called to praise and worship you. Help us to rediscover our vocation to become your witnesses and radiate your love by generously sharing what we have with those who do not. Make us your instruments of love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 15.7-11

There are always with us those who are in need. Hence, we need to be generous and open handed to lend to the one who is in need. If not we will be cursed by our neighbour in difficulty. Give liberally and ungrudging.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 41:1-3

**Response:** Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

1. Blessed are those who have regard for the weak;  
the LORD delivers them in times of trouble.
2. The LORD protects and preserves them—  
they are counted among the blessed in the land—  
he does not give them over to the desire of their foes.
3. The LORD sustains them on their sickbed  
and restores them from their bed of illness.

**Second Reading:** 1 Cor. 13: 1-3

Love is greatest of all virtues. St. Paul says that without love we are like empty gong or clanging cymbal which makes big noise even if we have all the other powers. Love is expressed truly by acts of mercy. Children through your kind acts will show your love for your fellow children, parents and siblings.

**Enact the Gospel:** Luke 10.29-37**THE GOOD SAMARITAN AND THE WOUNDED MAN**

**Samaritan:** My friend, can you hear me? Wake up, speak to me. I'm here with you; you do not risk anything anymore.

**Man:** Where are they?

**Samaritan:** Who your aggressors?

**Man:** No, the priest and the Levite who just walked by. They looked at me and they went through without even checking or touching me.

**Samaritan:** I saw them and I felt like they did not know what to do so, clumsily, they walked away. But do not think about it, I'm here and I will not let you down. Take a sip of wine, it will give you some energy back and once you are well enough, I will take you to the inn where we will take care of you.

**Man:** But I have no money to pay the inn. The bandits have taken everything and I no longer have money or anything.

**Samaritan:** I know, I know, but that's not what's important. I cannot leave you here and let the dogs lick your wounds. Do not be afraid, I will take care of everything. After all, you're my brother.

**Man:** How can you be good enough to see me as a brother, you who are Samaritan and I Jew? While we consider you a man of second class, you nevertheless help me take care of me!

**Samaritan:** Then you will understand that we, the "second class" people, as you say, have a heart in the right place.

**Man:** You are good, my friend, and Yahweh will give it back to you.

**Samaritan:** Not that good. I heard your prophet speak, the one you call Jesus of Nazareth, and he says that only God is good.

**Man:** This Jesus is right; everything must start from the heart. And one day one of his Apostles will write a magnificent text that everyone could read: "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could move mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profit me nothing" (1Cor 13: 1-3).

Thank you my brother.

**- Rev. Faustine L. Lobo**

*National Director, PMO*



## **I. PROGRAMMES OF CODP FOR FEBRUARY 2018**

- 03.02.2018 ... - Training on Human Rights at Amtady  
- Communication and Leadership Training at Mangalpady
- 04.02.2018 ... Panchayat Raj Training at Taremar
- 05.02.2018 ... - Bandhavya organized Training on 'Recent Changes in Labour Laws' at CODP-ISD  
- Training on Human Rights Handbook at Balepuni
- 06.02.2018 ... - Educare visits to Churches  
- Training on Entrepreneurship & Skill development at Kotekar
- 08.02.2018 ... Educare visits to Churches
- 10.02.2018 ... - Training on Human Rights Handbook at Vijayadka  
- Awareness on MGNREGA at Bakrebail
- 12.02.2018 ... Meeting of Directors of Coastal Diocesan Social Service Societies in Thiruvananthapuram
- 13.02.2018 ... - Sahajeevana Okkoota meet in CODP-ISD  
- Training on Documentation at Meenja
- 15.02.2018 ... Educare visits to Churches
- 17.02.2018 ... Jeevan Raksha Okkoota meet in CODP-ISD
- 18.02.2018 ... Construction workers awareness programme in Puttur
- 19.02.2018 ... Educare visits to Churches
- 20.02.2018 ... Career Advancement Programme Priest co-ordinators and Lay Co-ordinators meet in CODP-ISD
- 24.02.2018 ... Training on Human Rights at Modankap
- 26.02.2018 ... Training on Strengthening of SHGs at Bajpe
- 27.02.2018 ... Awareness on Health and Hygiene at Talapady

## Programmes planned for the Month of February 2018

- 1) Awareness program on Domestic Violence at Bajpe

### II. INFORMATION FROM CODP

#### A) LENTEN CAMPAIGN 2017

**Collection from:**

● Parishes .....	Rs	26,52,710.00
● Convents .....	Rs	67,500.00
● Institutions .....	Rs	15,000.00
● Schools and Colleges .....	Rs	9,000.00
● Donation .....	Rs	62,400.00
<b>Total Income .....</b>	<b>Rs</b>	<b>28,06,610.00</b>

- Total Expenditure: Printing, Stationery, Postage, Prizes & Transportation Rs 1,39,630.00

**Balance as on 1.1.2018 ..... Rs 26,66,980.00**

#### B) LENTEN CAMPAIGN 2018

Dear Rev. Fathers,

This year's Lenten Campaign will be in aid of repair of houses of the poor people – (Ref Bishop's letter). Kindly encourage your parishioners to buy more coupons. People can also contribute their donations directly to CODP for this campaign. They can do so through cheques, RTGS and NEFT, etc. They may contact us for details of digital payments.

**–Director, CODP**

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**DIOCESE OF MANGALORE**

**Most Rev. Dr Aloysius Paul D'Souza** Bishop's House  
*Bishop of Mangalore* Mangalore - 575 003  
15.1.2018

**Sub: Lenten Campaign 2018 – In Aid of ‘Repair of the Houses of the Poor’.**

Dear Rev Fathers / Sisters, Seasonal Greetings! At the outset my heart goes out to all who reach to poor in their various needs. After the proclamation of the Word of God and administering of sacraments, our pastoral duty is to reach out to the poor in our community. ‘Faith without works is dead’, says Apostle St. James (*Jas 2:14-17*). In his message for World Day of the Poor, Pope calls on the Christian communities to make every effort to create moments of encounter and friendship, solidarity and concrete assistance to the poor. It has been a tradition in our Diocese, to make a collection during Lent for a worthy cause, mostly in aid of poor people. I have decided to set apart this year’s Lenten collection for the cause of housing of poor people. As you know shelter is one of the basic needs of human beings, along with food and clothing. The cost of construction is galloping every year and poor find it difficult to have a shelter of their own. Several people approach us seeking help for their shelter or to repair their dilapidated houses. They bring a letter of recommendation from their parish priest. We need to show solidarity with those needy people. Therefore, I urge all of you to make earnest efforts to help these needy brethren of ours. I have asked CODP to prepare lucky coupons for this. As in the past, please motivate your parishioners to buy as many tickets as possible. May the Lord who experienced the problem of shelterless inspire all of you to motivate the people to contribute generously for this cause. Thank you. I invoke God’s choicest blessings on all of you. I wish you a fruitful Lenten season followed by joyful Easter.

Yours in Christ,  
Sd/-

**+ Aloysius Paul D Souza**  
*Bishop of Mangalore*

## 2018 Lenten Message of His Holiness Pope Francis

"Because of the increase of iniquity, the love of many will grow cold" (Mt 24: 12)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Once again, the Pasch of the Lord draws near! In our preparation for Easter, God in his providence offers us each year the season of Lent as a "sacramental sign of our conversion".[1] Lent summons us, and enables us, to come back to the Lord wholeheartedly and in every aspect of our life. With this message, I would like again this year to help the entire Church experience this time of grace anew, with joy and in truth. I will take my cue from the words of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew: "Because of the increase of iniquity, the love of many will grow cold" (24:12).

These words appear in Christ's preaching about the end of time. They were spoken in Jerusalem, on the Mount of Olives, where the Lord's passion would begin. In reply to a question of the disciples, Jesus foretells a great tribulation and describes a situation in which the community of believers might well find itself: amid great trials, false prophets would lead people astray and the love that is the core of the Gospel would grow cold in the hearts of many.

**False prophets :** Let us listen to the Gospel passage and try to understand the guise such false prophets can assume.

They can appear as "snake charmers", who manipulate human emotions in order to enslave others and lead them where they would have them go. How many of God's children are mesmerized by momentary pleasures, mistaking them for true happiness! How many men and women live entranced by the dream of wealth, which only makes them slaves to profit and petty interests! How many go through life believing that they are sufficient unto themselves, and end up entrapped by loneliness!

False prophets can also be "charlatans", who offer easy and immediate solutions to suffering that soon prove utterly useless. How many young people are taken in by the panacea of drugs, of disposable relationships, of easy but dishonest gains! How many more are ensnared in a thoroughly "virtual" existence, in which relationships appear quick and straightforward, only to prove meaningless! These swindlers, in peddling things that have no real value, rob people of all that is most precious: dignity, freedom and the ability to love. They appeal to our vanity, our trust in appearances, but in the end they only make fools of us. Nor should we be surprised. In order to confound the human heart, the devil,

who is "a liar and the father of lies" (Jn 8:44), has always presented evil as good, falsehood as truth. That is why each of us is called to peer into our heart to see if we are falling prey to the lies of these false prophets. We must learn to look closely, beneath the surface, and to recognize what leaves a good and lasting mark on our hearts, because it comes from God and is truly for our benefit.

**A cold heart:** In his description of hell, Dante Alighieri pictures the devil seated on a throne of ice,[2] in frozen and loveless isolation. We might well ask ourselves how it happens that charity can turn cold within us. What are the signs that indicate that our love is beginning to cool?

More than anything else, what destroys charity is greed for money, "the root of all evil" (1 Tim 6: 10). The rejection of God and his peace soon follows; we prefer our own desolation rather than the comfort found in his word and the sacraments.[3] All this leads to violence against anyone we think is a threat to our own "certainties": the unborn child, the elderly and infirm, the migrant, the alien among us, or our neighbour who does not live up to our expectations.

Creation itself becomes a silent witness to this cooling of charity. The earth is poisoned by refuse, discarded out of carelessness or for self-interest. The seas, themselves polluted, engulf the remains of countless shipwrecked victims of forced migration. The heavens, which in God's plan, were created to sing his praises, are rent by engines raining down implements of death.

Love can also grow cold in our own communities. In the Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, I sought to describe the most evident signs of this lack of love: selfishness and spiritual sloth, sterile pessimism, the temptation to self-absorption, constant warring among ourselves, and the worldly mentality that makes us concerned only for appearances, and thus lessens our missionary zeal.[4]

#### **What are we to do?**

Perhaps we see, deep within ourselves and all about us, the signs I have just described. But the Church, our Mother and Teacher, along with the often bitter medicine of the truth, offers us in the Lenten season the soothing remedy of prayer, almsgiving and fasting.

By devoting more time to prayer, we enable our hearts to root out our secret lies and forms of self-deception,[5] and then to find the consolation God offers. He is our Father and he wants us to live life well.

Almsgiving sets us free from greed and helps us to regard our neighbour as a brother or sister. What I possess is never mine alone. How I would like almsgiving to become a genuine style of life for each of us! How I would like us, as Christians, to follow the example of the Apostles and see in the sharing of our possessions a tangible witness of the communion that is ours in the Church! For this reason, I echo Saint Paul's exhortation to the Corinthians to take up a collection for the community of Jerusalem as something from which they themselves would benefit (cf. 2 Cor 8:10). This is all the more fitting during the Lenten season, when many groups take up collections to assist Churches and peoples in need. Yet I would also hope that, even in our daily encounters with those who beg for our assistance, we would see such requests as coming from God himself. When we give alms, we share in God's providential care for each of his children. If through me God helps someone today, will he not tomorrow provide for my own needs? For no one is more generous than God.[6]

Fasting weakens our tendency to violence; it disarms us and becomes an important opportunity for growth. On the one hand, it allows us to experience what the destitute and the starving have to endure. On the other hand, it expresses our own spiritual hunger and thirst for life in God. Fasting wakes us up. It makes us more attentive to God and our neighbour. It revives our desire to obey God, who alone is capable of satisfying our hunger.

I would also like my invitation to extend beyond the bounds of the Catholic Church, and to reach all of you, men and women of good will, who are open to hearing God's voice. Perhaps, like ourselves, you are disturbed by the spread of iniquity in the world, you are concerned about the chill that paralyzes hearts and actions, and you see a weakening in our sense of being members of the one human family. Join us, then, in raising our plea to God, in fasting, and in offering whatever you can to our brothers and sisters in need!

**The fire of Easter:** Above all, I urge the members of the Church to take up the Lenten journey with enthusiasm, sustained by almsgiving, fasting and prayer. If, at times, the flame of charity seems to die in our own hearts, know that this is never the case in the heart of God! He constantly gives us a chance to begin loving anew.

One such moment of grace will be, again this year, the "24 Hours for the Lord" initiative, which invites the entire Church community to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation in the context of Eucharistic adoration. In 2018, inspired by the words

of Psalm 130:4, "With you is forgiveness", this will take place from Friday, 9 March to Saturday, 10 March. In each diocese, at least one church will remain open for twenty-four consecutive hours, offering an opportunity for both Eucharistic adoration and sacramental confession.

During the Easter Vigil, we will celebrate once more the moving rite of the lighting of the Easter candle. Drawn from the "new fire", this light will slowly overcome the darkness and illuminate the liturgical assembly. "May the light of Christ rising in glory dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds",[7] and enable all of us to relive the experience of the disciples on the way to Emmaus. By listening to God's word and drawing nourishment from the table of the Eucharist, may our hearts be ever more ardent in faith, hope and love.

With affection and the promise of my prayers for all of you, I send you my blessing. Please do not forget to pray for me.

– **Francis**

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## **ST JOSEPH ENGINEERING COLLEGE**

**Vamanjoor, Mangaluru – 575 028**

### **COMEDK ENTRANCE EXAMINATION - 2018**

- **Last date for online payments and Last date for Submission of completed application online will be by Thursday, the 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2018**
- **COMEDK UGET - 2018 Engineering Entrance Exam 2018 will be on Sunday, the 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2018**

St Joseph Engineering College, Vamanjoor offers top class education in Engineering. It also provides financial support through scholarships to the catholic deserving students who appear for COMEDK Examination. So, appearing and performing in CET and COMEDK exam is mandatory.

Therefore, we request you to encourage the students to appear this forthcoming entrance test for those students who are desirous of joining Engineering Course and avail this facility.

– **Rev. Wilfred P. D'Souza**  
*Director – SJEC*

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**ST JOSEPH ENGINEERING COLLEGE RECEIVES  
IUCEE TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADER IN  
ENGINEERING EDUCATION AWARD 2017**

The Indo Universal Collaboration for Engineering Education (IUCEE) has recognized St Joseph Engineering College, as a **Transformational Leader in Engineering Education for the year 2017.**

Each year IUCEE recognizes several institutions as transformational leaders in engineering education for their outstanding contribution to the quality of engineering education during the past year. St Joseph Engineering College is proud to receive this award for the year 2017. The award was presented to representatives of the college by Dr Krishna Vedula, Director of IUCEE, Professor and Dean Emeritus, University of Massachusetts – Lowell, USA, at the International Conference on Transformations in Engineering Education 2018 (ICTIEE 2018) at Madurai on January 8, 2018.

**– Rev. Wilfred P. D’Souza**  
*Director – SJEC*

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